HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT[441]

Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)"b."

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 249A.4, the Department of Human Services proposes to amend Chapter 80, "Procedure and Method of Payment," Iowa Administrative Code.

This amendment requires providers who bill using paper claim forms to submit both the crossover claim form and the Explanation of Medicare Benefits (EOMB) when billing Medicaid for dually eligible members. Submission of both the claim form and the denied EOMB from Medicare will provide essential claim information, such as diagnosis codes and procedure modifiers, so that claims can be processed properly. This change is expected to eliminate the manual data entry of over 20,000 claim forms per month and associated data entry errors that delay payment.

2011 Iowa Acts, House File 649, allows the Department to implement the Medicaid cost containment strategies recommended by Governor Branstad. This change is one of the recommended strategies. This change is part of a larger effort to improve processing of Medicare crossover claims that will generate combined savings estimated at \$275,000 annually.

This amendment was also Adopted and Filed Emergency and is published herein as **ARC 9724B**. The purpose of this Notice is to solicit comment on that submission, the subject matter of which is incorporated by reference.

Any interested person may make written comments on the proposed amendment on or before September 27, 2011. Comments should be directed to Mary Ellen Imlau, Bureau of Policy Coordination, Department of Human Services, Hoover State Office Building, 1305 East Walnut Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0114. Comments may be sent by fax to (515)281-4980 or by E-mail to policyanalysis@dhs.state.ia.us.

This amendment does not provide for waivers in specified situations because the savings assumed in the Department's appropriations will not be achieved if waivers are provided. Requests for the waiver of any rule may be submitted under the Department's general rule on exceptions at 441—1.8(17A,217).

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code section 249A.4 and 2011 Iowa Acts, House File 649, section 10, subsection 20(a).